SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 551

By Berke

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Linda C. Thompson on being named a 2012 Chattanooga Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2012, Linda Thompson will be recognized as a 2012

Chattanooga Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association at the organization's 27th

Annual Women of Distinction Awards Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, to be held at the Chattanooga Convention Center Ballroom, this prestigious event honors a number of women who have distinguished themselves in their professional, civic, and volunteer service; the event also benefits the important work of the American Lung Association in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Linda Thompson serves with acumen and alacrity as organist and president of the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera Youth Orchestra, in which position she has inspired young musicians with her unending passion for music and her extraordinary leadership; and

WHEREAS, epitomizing the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, Linda Thompson takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Linda Thompson, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Linda C. Thompson on being named a 2012 Chattanooga Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association, thank her for all she has done to make Chattanooga and this State a better place to live and work, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

- 2 - 01136452